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## Patent Application

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**SIR:****Response to Office Action**

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2003 (Paper No. 8). A shortened statutory period for reply was set for February 19, 2004. Accordingly, a Petition for One-Month Extension of Time to and including March 19, 2004 is enclosed. Please enter the Remarks, without prejudice, as follows:

**Remarks and Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.**